MISSION WORKERS WILL ASSEMBLE

tend the Conference.

Pirst to Reach There-People

represented at the Ecumenteal Conference on Foreign Missions, to be held in New among the very among the very country of and to enter upon work the centre of the island, the Rev. J. A. Erwing the centre of the island, the Rev. J. A. Erwing and Mrs. Erath obtained what is, perchaps, the best building available in the whole city, short of actually constructing one. Here they opened religious services and a day and a Sunday-school. This company, doing business on a capital of \$10,050,000, now operates a dozen from the start. Social, as well as religious, work has been bas already come to be one has already come to be one has already come to be one to be one has already come to be one to be one has already come to be one to be one has already come to be one to among the very first to reach Porto Ri-

lain of Theodore Roosevelt's Rough Rid-ers, went to San Juan as chaplain and missionary, and his prominence and in-fluence counted for much. There has been for some years at Ponce a Church of England congregation. That affiliated at once, of course. Lately Bishop Whip-ple, of Minnesota, has paid a visit to the Island, and while there licensed four lay readers to hold services in as many in-000 with which to erect churches, THEY WANT SCHOOLS.

position in Porto Rico. Their educational society—not the one bearing that name, but the American Missionary Association, which has educational work among colored people of the South, and whites among the Tennessee mountains, opened two ischools—one at San Juan and the other at Lares, in the mountain section of the west coast. In the latter case they transported school benches on the backs of mules, the alcalde and council paying the bill, so delighted were the Lares authorities at the idea of having a school. The Congregational aim is norschool. The Congregational aim is normal, that is, to train those who are fitted to become teachers in the public schools. The school at Lares has been

both San Juan and Ponce, their general both San Juan and Ponce, their general missionary being the Rev. H. P. McCormick. According to all accounts, he has met with success. He has been ordered home, to attend the Baptist anniversaries at Detroit in May, and to make an exhaustive report at that place and time. What gave Baptist missionardes a close justicit into affeirs was their asn close insight into affairs was their asa close insight into annirs was their as-sistance in the distribution of Govern-ment relief that was bestowed immedi-ately after the hurricane. This distri-bution took them to every part of the isl-and and into contact with many people. They utilized the advantage, and their work has been helped in conveyence.

crai Miles and the first troops went, and they have ever since maintained head-quarters in San Juan. In the general scheme for building naval homes for sailors at all principal naval stations, they have designated San Juan as one to be cared for some time in the future. Several points about work in Porto Rico are to be noted. One is that the Rico are to be noted. One is that the people are eager to learn, to own Bibles, to hear the gospel. Another is that they are not confused by the multitude of pects that have taken up work among them. They understand the situation as well as we do at flown. Still another is that the Roman Catholic authorities is that the Roman Catholic authorities are most considerate. They assert their the most considerate. They assert their them to the most considerate to the most considerate. They assert their them to the most considerate to the most considerate. They assert their them to the most considerate to the most considerate. They assert their them to the latter has a trotting record of 2.22 to over the half-mile track at the farm.

Messers, Murshall and Thomason, of Warrenton. Va, have recently sold to Mr. Robert Drystale, a thrifty Scotchiman, who owns a fine estate of over 700 acres, about six miles out from Warrenton.

SOME GOOD PROSPECTS THERE.

Entries to the Spring Hunters' Steeple chase-The Deep Run Hunt Club Meeting-Mr. Forbes'

There is some choice material in the big training barn at Alamance Farm, which is about the best known breed ng establishment in North Carolina. Foundestablishment in North Carolina. Foundation of the Old North State buyers and owners, money has been spent with a ilberal hand at Alamance, and the estate is very highly improved. The farm borders on the town of Graham, and complex thousands of cares of the land prises thousands of acres of fine land. The cares of a big manufacturing establishment rest upon the shoulders of Mr. Holt, but leisure hours are devoted to the farm and recreation of the kind which brings health and strength is found.

The famous pacer John R. Gentry was and his get takes after him. Gives Mis-bane, the four-year-old son of John R. Gentry and Winnie D., dam of Hulmann, 2:20, and two others in the tist, has been placed in the stud, and some of the best marcs at Alamance will be bred to him, among them Blondette, the daughter of Leland, that produced Governor Holt, 9-15

pearance Glies Mebane's dam, Winnie D., is in foal

Glies Mebane's dam, Winnie D., is in foal to Gregorian, and will be bred back. William Coathean, the farm trainer, is jogging on the track and over the beautiful woodland driveways, which intersect the furm, about a dozen head of trotters and pacers, among them being Mattle Lynn Holt, bun, 5, by Baronet, dam Kellis, dam of Flare, 2:23-4, by Jay Bird, who stored interest the second of the sec ed eight times in 1899 and always finished eight times in 1889 and always finished inside the money; Mary Vader, b f, 4, by Euronet, dam Sue H., by Woodburn Hanrbletonian; Eliza Ingram, ch. f, f, by John R. Gentry, dam Blondette, dam of Governor Holt, 2:15, by Leland; Anna Williams, b f, 4, by John R. Gentry dam Caside Cirl, by Macari, Hamble onits, 1887. Williams, b.f., 4, by John R. Gentry dam Oneida Girl, by Macey's Hamble onian, sec ond dam Fantina, dam of Jean Valjan, 2:14; Ethel Harding, ch. f. by Gregorian, dam Gretna Green, by Aberdeen; ch.g., by Gregorian, dam Winnie D.; Ciles Mebane, br. c. 4, by John R. Gentry, dam Winnie D.; Lina Clark, b.f., 2, by Gregorian, dam Blondette; Annie Coleman, ch.f., 1, by Gregorian, dam Winnie D., and b. c, 1, by Gregorian, dam Gretna Green.

field thinks that the meeting is 1kNy to be the best in the history of the Washington Jockey Club, while sport of a higher class will be witnessed than has been previously seen there. One of the most prominent and popular features of this meeting will be the Spring Hunters' Steeplechase for horses owned in Maryland, Virginia and the

owned in Maryland, Virginia and the District of Columbia, for which 16 entries have been received, and the list follows: Chevy Chase Hunt, District of Colum-

bia, 2.

J. E. Larcombe, Jr., Chevy Chase
Hunt, 1.

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J. Henry McCaulcy, Piedmont Hunt,
Va., 1.
E. Kingston Salisbury, Pine Hill Club,

James D. Hall, Pine Hill Club, Va., L.

Bames D. Hall, Pine Hill Club, Va., 1.
E. O. Hayes, Warrenton Hunt, Va., 1.
W. C. Hayes, Warrenton Hunt, Va., 1.
C. W. Smith, Warrenton Hunt, Va., 1.
F. A. Portman, Warrenton Hunt, Va., 1. John D. Hooe, Warrenton Hunt, Va., 1 Edward L. Smith, Elkridge Hunt, Md.,

W. K. Levering, Elkridge Hunt, Md.,

ton, chestnut mare, 8, by Norfolk, of Filigree: Moody, bay gelding, 6, er Filigree: Moody, bay getting, b, by Egwood, out of Filigree, and Our Fancy, chestnut mare, 9, by Egwood, out of Lady Motion, by Motion, son of Daniel Lambert. Filligree is fifteen years old, and is just about as speedy and able to get off as quickly as ever, and when

From North Bend Farm, Weyanoke, Va., Mr. T. (William Hewitt writes me that horses there have wintered nicely. Miss Thompson, 2:20 1-2; the well-known brown mare by Toodles, Jr., out fof Primrose, by Helzel's Hambletonian, foaled on the 1st inst. well formed, handsome bay filly, by Whitby, £:18 1-2; the pacing son of Hannits that sired Angelus, 2:12 1-4. The yearling filly by Whitby, out of Miss Thompson, which is also owned at the farm, is black in color, like Whitbr's full sister. Winnie D., the dam of Hulman, 2:20; Ginter, 2:241-4 and Mayo, 2:281-4 now a brood mare at Alamance Farm, Graham, N. C. Mr. Hewitt has berun shaping up for the coming season's campaign Fanny Fox, 2:20, pacing, by Judge Cox, dam Mambrino, by Mambrino King, and Florence Miles, the bay mare by Prophet Wilkes. dam by Red Champlon, son of Red Wilkes.

The latter has a trotting record of 2:22 1-2, and has shown three heats under 2:20 over the half-mile track at the farm.

renton, four thoroughbred mires, all bred this season to His Grace. They are: Mystle, chestnut mare, by Falconer, out of Mist, by Ventilator: Vite, chestnut mare, by Forester, out of Leontine, by Ventilator: Di Vernon, bay mare, by Yucatan, out of Margaret, by Sanford; and Nightingale, chestnut mare, by The Bard, out of Pike's Pride, by Imp. King Ban. In addition to those well bred mares Mr. Drysdale owns ten of the get of His Grace, and like that good-looking son of Eolus and Miss Grace, these youngsters are large, handsome and well formed. Mr. Drysdale is a prosperous farmer and representative citizen of Fauquier, who holds there peel and conditions with him. Coming to this country 25 years ago, from Scotland, by industrious temperate habits he has accumulated a competency as a breeder of livestock and farming, setting an example that might well be emulated.

The well-known colored trainer, Alexander McDaniel, who was reinstated by the Jockey Club in 1889, and whose application for a trainer's license will be sent in to that body in April, is now located at Ravenwood Farm, near the city, where he has a stable of runners. Ravenwood was fitted up in nice shape by Messre. E and A. Craven in 1888, who schooled hunters and jumpers there for a couple of seasons. The place has been recently rented by Mr. E. D. Christian, for whom McDaniel will handle seime horses in addition to those owned by other parties. Chugnut, Shotbelt, J. A. Gray and some two-year-olds are now being gailoped over the track at Ravenwood, while others will join the stables later.

The date of the annual spring race meeting of the Deep Run Hunt Club has

The date of the annual spring race meeting of the Deep Run Hunt Club has been fixed for Thursday, May 17th, and quite an attractive programme has been issued by Secretary P. A. S. Brine for the occasion. Purses, five in number, will be offered for a couple of races on the flat, a like number of steeplechase events and a furmer's race.

A high jumping contest will also take place, which always forms a most enjoyable feature of the programme. Taking place during Carnival Wock, as this meeting does, it is likely to prove one of the most attractive features of the round of festivities provided for that week, when many thousands from various sections will flock to the city.

Col. Robert Hough, secretary, has issued the programme of the spring meeting of the Maryland Steeplechase Association, and the dates assigned are Tuesday, April 17th, and Thursday, April 19th. Purses ranging from \$150 to \$1,600 each are offered for hacks and hunters, and grand sport is anticipated. The meeting will be held at the famous old Pimito-track, the scene of numerous memorable contests between noted horses in years gone by. This meeting follows that of the Washington Jockey Club, and it richly merits generous patronage.

of the Washington Jockey Unib, and it richly merits generous patronage. In the bay mare Willie Belle, foaled 1891. Mr. T. B. Ellison, of this city, owns a well finished, handsome roadster of high style. At two years old she trotted a trial in 2:22. Willie Belle was stred by Pendleton Chief, a son of the famous show horse Harrison Chief, dam Transit, son of Hamlin's Almont, Jr.; second dam by Lexington Chief, a grand son of Indian Chief; third dam by Robert Bruce, thoroughbred.

Chief: third dam by Robert Bruce, thoroughbred.

Mr. T. O. Sandy, the well-known breeder of Holstein and Jersey cattle, whose form is near Furkeville. Va., on the line of the Southern Railway, reports a prosperous season for this imported backney stallion The Duke, a son of Silver Star and Fanny, Rob Roy. This horse was formerly owned by the late Cept. Orris A. Browne, of Cape Charles, Va., where stoutly made son of Rob Roy left a number of his get, which are well thought of in that section.

Mr. E. T. Cox, the well-known trotting-horse breeder, of Chesterfield county, Va., proprietor of the Hundred Farm, the home of Judge Cox, a grand son of Fhallas, 2:13 3-1; Lollo Anderson, 2:23 1-4, and over fifty head of other well-bred trotters, was severely injured receintly by a kick from a horse in the pit of his stomach.

Mr. Cox is now at the Old Dominion Hospital, this city, in a precarious condition.

Phill G. Kelly, of this city, has sold to W. R. McKenney, a prominent lawyer of Petersburg, Va., the speedy chestnut pacing mare Princess Eulalie, 2.17 1-4, by Prince Belmont, dam Sea Gift, by Red Jacket, second dam Ocean Wave, by Storm, thoroughbred son of tota Princess Eulalie will be driven on the road by her new owner.

BROAD ROCK.

FIRST REAPER TRIAL.

Something About the One That Took

Place in Virginia.
The death of Mr. Lysander McCormick

The death of Air. Lysander Accornace, of Chicago, recently announced, has brought to my recollection a day in which he bore a prominent part.

The year A. D. 1853 was a notable year in the agricultural history of Virginia. The State Agricultural Society had been recognized the previous year under new The State Agricultural Society had been organized the previous year under new auspices. The great agriculturist, Edmund Ruffin, was elected first president. He served one year. Then Gen. P. St. George Cocke, of Belmead, Powhatan George Cocke, of Belmead, Pownatan county, succeeded him. Under his lead the Society, early in the year, determined to hold a State Fair at Richmond, the first State Fair ever held. At the same meeting a reaper-trial was arranged for, to come off the succeeding harvest.

At that time there were only three reapers prominently before the farming world. These were the McCormick, the Hussey and the Burrill. The latter was a close imitation of the Hussey.

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The early McCormick reapers had not proved satisfactory to the farmers in Virginia. I heard Mr. Edmund Ruffin Virginia. I heard Mr. Edmund Ruffin say they were so defective that they were thrown aside as useless, by most of those who bought them. The cutting-blade had a saw-edge or stekle-edge, and it was straight or nearly so. As soon as it lost its original sharpness, and had it lost its original sharpness, and had become gummed with the sap of the wheat straw, it falled to cut clean. The Hussey had a blade or cutter, composed of V-shaped teeth, which, when playing in the tines, had the same action as

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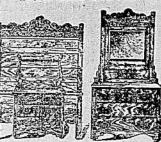
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shears. These teeth had smooth edges. The defects of the machine were its great weight and cumbrous wheels, and the smooth edge of its teeth. It was a the smooth edge of its teeth. It was a faithfully made machine, but too heavy, especially when there was dew on the wheat, or grass was mixed with the wheat It had, up to the time of the reaper-trial, proved more efficient than any other reaper previously used. The trial was, at the invitation of Capt. William Allen, of Claremont, appointed to be held at his Curle's Neck farm on James river, about fifteen miles below Richmond. There could not have been a better place found in the State. The crop was magnificent, and the field was one said to contain

and the field was one said to contain sand or more guests, was never seen in the State and will probably never be seen again. It was royal in both style and profusion.

were early on the field. The McCormick was late getting in place. When it came it was attended by Leander McCormick, the brother of the inventor, who died few days since.

manner, and the five judges were given every opportunity to test the merits lowed them from the start to the finish, at the close of the day. Wishing to test the machines while cutting wheat, wet with dew, the trial was continued next

award. Two were in account of the Burtill (Hussey improved) and one of the McCormick, and the writer of this was that one.

My reasons briefly for thus voting were:
McCormick had to his one point of advantage, the sickle-edge, this season, added the angular cutting-tooth, or section of the blade. Any one who has ever cut It is true that with continued success giving large means and extended facili-ties, many other improvements were made by the McCormick, making it well-wish neglect

of the reaper very closely, and observing the advantage of the angular section of the blade, now made with the sleyle-edge, I was convinced that the combina-tion gave it superiority over the others. It has been a gratifying fact to me that my opinion has been approved by the agricultural world.

Twenty years after this trai of reapers another was held by the State Society at Westover, the model farm of the late Major A. H. Drewry. This I also attended, as a member of the Executive Committee of the Society. It also was a great day. But I have not time to tell about it here and now.

RICHARD IRBY.

Reckiess Exposure.

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TALKING UP THE CARNIVAL.

People to Come to Richmond and Enjoy the Great Event to be Held Here in May.

The Virginia Division, T. P. A., of Amer. ica, are hustling to get the membership up to the 800 mark. before the date of the National Convention, which is to be held in New Orleans, La., in May.

The Division has sent out the following to fts members: To the members of Virginia Division.

Richmond, Va., February 20. 1900. We believe you will agree with us, that the larger our numbers the more we can accomplish for our mutual benefit, and thus the better serve all concerned. Being exceedingly anxious to inthousand strong, so as to place our Divi-sion at its proper place in the National Association, your State Board of Direc-tors have authorized the following

1st. To the member securing not less lst. To the member securing not less than five new applications between Feb. 20th and April 20th, 1900, free membership dues for six months.a 2d. To the member securing not less than eight applications during the sama period, free membership dues for twelve months.

onths. Id To the member securing not less than 12 new applications during the same period, a handsome travelling grip, to cost not less than \$15.00, or its equivalent

T. P. A. button given to each new member between February 20th and

member between February 20th and April 20th. If worn on the lapel of your coat, this button will prove of more real value to you than double the amount of your yearly dues.

There are few of our members who cannot easily win one of these prizes, and we have many who can win the best, while there is not a single member of Virginia Division who cannot tring in a least one of his friends before April at least one of his friends before April 20th. We appeal to each of you that you will at least promise to do this much, and thus serve your friends and the Association at the same time. Think of what a grand showing our Division will make when the National Association meets at a grand showing our Division was made when the National Association meets at New Orleans in May, if each one of our present members will only send in one new application.

Won't you go to work at once and the control of the new Application begins to be a configuration begins to be applied to be a configuration begins to be a configuration because the configuration because the configuration

your duty. Write for application blanks.
Yx. Division, Board of Directors.
R. B. WALIFHALL, See'y and Treas.

Ya. Division, Board of Directors.
R. B. WAIDHALL, See'y and Treas.
P. O. Box 23, Richmond, Va.
C. W. SAUNDERS, President.
REMEMBER THE CARNIVAL.
The following has also been sent out to members of the Division:
Richmond's great Street-Fair and Cannival Week comemness Monday, May 1118, 1800, and it is our duty to spread the news all over our State and adjoining territory. We want all our members to visit our headquarters during this feetival, besides inviting all our customers and friends everywhere to come to our Cantal City during that week. Watch the papers and see what a great treat we have in store for all those who come to our cly, and every T. P. A. should help to advertise this State effort.
A number of prominent T. P. A. sand

Brother John Coos sat in his office at post headquarters in a musing mood. Before him on his desk reposed a bat-Before him on his desk rebosed a tor-tered old playing-eard, the king of hearts. One of the boys dropped in, and observ-ing the card, remarked: "John, if I had had that king-last night at the right time, I would be living on Easy Street

"I see how it is," exclaimed John "You "I see how it is," exclaimed John "You had three kings, and the other Tellow a full on a fat jackpot. But I wasn't thinking of cards when you came in. I was likening this king to a friend of ours, a friend of the boyts, only he is not the battered old wreck this is, but a new one, just out of the deck, and we want to bow the knee to that man. I have reference to Jim Bond, at Mansfield, La. The news has just come to me that lifts

one, just out of the deck, and we want to bow the knee to that man. I have reference to Jim Bond, at Mansfield, Ia. The news has just come to me that lifts that man up in the king row.

"Only a few days ago a traveling man, a man who wears one of our buttons took rooms at Jim's. The traveler had no sconer landed when he took sick and was put to bed. A doctor was called in, and he rendered a verdict of small-pox. Did Jim order a carriage driven up and have the traveling man carted away at once? Not on your life! He did the other grand thing; he closed up the house to the public, went up to the patient's room and nirsed him through the frightful lilness. Yes, sir, sat right there and brought his man through.

"When the men heard of this, they were full of praise for the brave act, and somehow, some of this praise reached somehow, some of this praise reached him. He smillingly replied to it: 'The ran who comes to me and stends his good money when he is well has got a sure thing on me taking care of him when he is sick.' Isn't that a king, all

The Jolan Interest Plants

I kind o' like to see 'em come.

They look so mighty smilin.'

They sort o' liven up the town

An' keep the pot a-b'ilin'.

The landlord hurries in an' out

An' has a brisker walk.

An' all the loafers stan' about An' grin to hear 'em talk.

A-tradin' an' a-lyin'. But still he can't help buyin'.

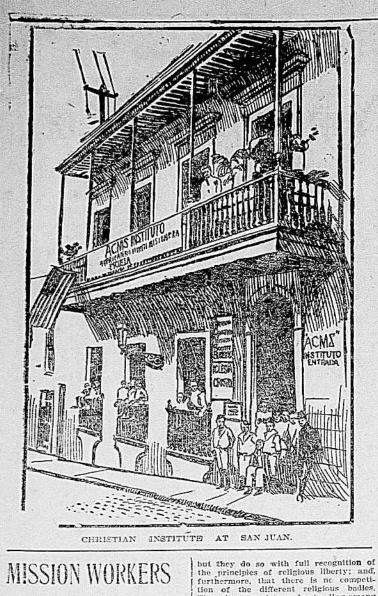
It sets us all a-smilin',
Eccause they 'liven up the town
An' keep the bot a-b'ilin'.
—Forence Josephine Borce.

His Crown of Song. We send these greeting, Cronje.
We, of the Western kind
Who love the name of freedom,
As did thy patriot band.

We send a shout of greeting
Which leaps the waters wide,
To half thee, captain worthy
Of thy men who lived or died.

And every heart beats higher
For record of thy God;
And every arm is strenger
Where freedom's cause hath need.
A. P. HARRIS, Keats, Va.

Cisale Loftis, who was seen as Bettins in "the Mascol" a few weeks ago, played Vola in the production of "Twelft! Night" by Modjeska's Cumpany less



may best influence, and afterward lead, the non-Christian.

BIG PLANT AT BRISTOL.

Extensive Plans of the Virginia Iron,

Co've and Coal Company. DRISTOL, VA., March 15-Special.-The plans in detail of the Virginia Iron,

Coal and Coke Company, as regards the

establishment of manufacturing enter-

on account of the scarcity of vacant resi

to Roancke, in order to get the advantage

It is now believed that the Abing-

The thall Pelergin of Dress.

The minor accessories of dress go far toward making a complete cestume, and form the finishing touches of what the

French call harmonious dressing, A well-

what pleases them best, Charles B. Evans, of "Parlor Match" fame, is to star in "Naughty Anthony"

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of more reasonable rents.

There is a complete understanding among Presbyterions, Baptists and others, as to where each shall work. The day of perfect comity is not here yet, but it is us near to Perto Rico as anywhere, perlups nearer. It is one of the purposes for which the Ecumenical Conference on Foreign Missions is held to further this cause of denominational comity. At the conference will be delegates from every missionary society in the world, almost. At any rate, it will be the largest gathering of mission-workers the world ever saw. Its alm is to study the methods of missions; that is, how the Christian may best influence, and afterward lead, There is a complete understanding among Delegation From Every Society to At-

GOOD WORK IN PORTO RICO.

Eager to Learn, to Own Bibles, to Hear the Gespel.

of the features of Sin Juan.

WORK OF PRESETTERIANS.

Preshyterians have work at three different points in Porto Rico. The points
are San Juan, Mayaguez and Ponce. That
at Mayaguez is, perhaps, the most interesting, it being educational as well as relicious. So many pupils came that the igious. So many pupils came that the chool has been self-supporting almost for. The foremost Presbyterian preacher on the island is the Rev. Dr. J. Milton

A bar and horseshoe plant, with building 100 by 800 feet; a puddling plant, 100 by 200 feet; an iron rolling-mill, 100 by 700 feet; machine shops, 100 by 304 feet; foundry, 100 by 192 feet; two buildings for boiler shops, one 50 by 80 feet and the other 50 by 100 feet; car shops, 50 by 125 feet; casting shed, 48 by 100 feet; round-house over 200 feet in diameter; general office building; rejiway depot and various miner buildings; two rallway yards, containing fifteen tracks. from the start, a record quite unlooked on the island is the Rev. Dr. J. Milton Greene, who was sent by the Synod of Iowa, and his maintenance guaranteed. He is an cloquent preacher and understands the Spanish language and character. An elderly man, he has inspired confidence, and his services in San Juan are growing in influence and attendance.

Protestant Episcopal work on the island has had not a little help from the official classes and from army chaplains. Such of the military post at San Juan as ever attended church services at all, went from the very first to the Episcopal. Then the liev, Henry B. Smith, who was chapvarious miner buildings; two railway yards, containing lifteen tracks.

The company proposes to begin this important work at once. The first building to be erected will, in all probability, be that to shelter the rolling-mill machinery, as most of this machinery has been on the grounds for a month.

Rents have gone very high in Eristol, on account of the scarcity of vacant residences. The influx is such that the situa-tion will hardly be relieved before fall.

Preparations are being made for the erection of quite a large number of resi-dences. Some of the railread men, it is claimed, are finding it convenient to move the Rev. Henry B. Smith, who was chapinin of Theodore Roosevelt's Rough Rid-

on-Damascus Railway will be com-pleted this year, and that it will also be extended into East Tennessee, in order to reach valuable minerals and a fine body of timber. Mr. Robert Gray, of readers to hold services in as many in-terior towns of the island, and now the Board of Missions has appealed for \$25,this city, has been appointed chief engin-eer of the proposed extension. He left this week to look over the route. The sale of the Marion and Rye Valley Rallway to A. J. Perry, for the Virginia Iron, Coal and Coke Company, has been confirmed by the Hustings Court of this Congregationalists early took a unique position in Porto Rico. Their educa-W. Porter, of Maysville, has accepted the pastorate of the First Baptist Church of Bristol, and will be installed on the first Sunday in April.

expensively dressed. She is the woman, the various articles of whose attire are schools. The school at Larcs has been self-supporting from the first, so far as rent, salaries and running expenses go. Eight teachers were sent from the United States, and there is a superintendent of Congregational schools for the island.

Baptists have preaching stations at the Sen Luna and Repues their reneral. the various articles of whose attire are becamingly and suitably, as well as fash-ionably chosen, harmoniously combined, carefully put on, and who realizes the value of having the little details of dress correct. A Worth gown, a diamond stomaocher, or a sable wrap cannot atone for a tern corset cove., a frowsy petticoat a torn glove or a pair of crooked heels. There is an old saying that a lady may There is an old asymg that a lady may be known by the gloves and shoes she wears. That most women are very particular about the shoes they wear, and except great tinings from the merchants who cater to their needs is evident in he extensive, varied and choice selections of footwear from which women may

work has been helped in consequence. Y. M. C. A. AT SAN JUAN. Young Men's Christian Association workers went to Porto Rico when Gen-eral Miles and the first troops went, and

NEWS OF HORSES AND HORSEMEN

Those in Training at Alamance Stock

Roadsters.

owned at Alamance when he captured the record of 2:033-4 for pacing stallions in 1894, as was the handsome Baron Wilkes horse, Baronet, who trotted to a four-year-old record of 2:111-4, while the farm callective included 1.5 cm. while the farm collection included Lissa, 2:16 2-4; Burdell 2:21; Alice Burlew, 2:22 1-4; Flare, 2:25 3-4; Pepper Sauce, 2:27 1-4, and Gregorian, 2:29 3-4. The latter, a chestnut son of Prince George and Bellina, by Mansfield, was retained by Mr. Holt and rules as premier sire of the farm. Gre-gorian is a well-finished, handsome horse, and his get takes after him. Giles Me-

A rich seal brown in color, and of ex-quisite quality and fininsh, Glies Mc-bane is exceedingly attractive in ap-

The forthcoming spring meeting of the Washington Jockey Club, which will be held at the Bennings track, Washington,

held at the Bennings track, Washington, promises great things, and will doubtless attract large crowds daily.

The meeting will begin Monday, April 2d, and continue two weeks. There are already over 200 horses on the grounds, while others are arriving almost daily. The famous mare Imp will race there. Assistant Secretary Algeron Dainger-field thinks that the meeting is 1 kely to be the best in the history of the

Arthur C. Marshall, Pledment Hunt, H. Rozier Dulany, Pledmont Hunt,

Mr. W. S. Forbes has at his private stable, in this city, a quantity of handson's roadsters, one of them being his old fast standby, the chestnut mare Filigree by Mambrino Dudley, 2:19 3-4, out Electra, dam of Elect Cossack, 2:29 1-4, by Electioneer; while the others are Mary Bratter electrum are 8 by Norfolk, out

to get off as quickly as ever, and when extended it takes a fast horse to head the good-looking adughter of Mambrino Dudley in a brush down the road.

Mary Bratton, the daughter of Filligree, is a tall rangy mare, and looks as if the ought to be fast, but has no great turn of speed, though tooked to nole with Our Fancy, the pair make a stylish team. The bay gelding Moody has been recently brought in from Monte Bello Farm, the country home of Mr. Forbes, and has been given very little road work, but he is learning fast and promises to develop as much speed as his dam has ever shown, while like her, he is handsome and well finished.

and well finished.

From North Bend Farm, Weyanoke, Va.,

and the lieu was one said to thirteen hundred acres. A great crowd was in attendance from many parts of the State. Such a feast as was spread in the new barn on the place, for one thou-

The Hussey and the Burrill reaper

few days since.

Popular sentiment was almost unanimously in favor of the Hussey reaper befort the trial commenced, as many of the James-river farmers had been using that machine for a year or more, some of whom had cast aside the McCormick. The trial was conducted in a very order

morning at sunrise.

After testing the machines in every way practicable, the judges made their award. Two were in favor of the Hussey; two of the Burrill (Hussey improved) and

of the blude. Any one who has ever cut a bundle of wheat with an old-fashioned sickle; knows the superiority of the sawedge over the smooth edge. The combination adopted by McCormick was the crowning point of success. This is proven by the fact that the McCormick has had a world wide success since, while the a world wide success since, while the others have sunk out of the memory of all but the oldest farmers in the State

made by the alcCormick, making it weinnigh perfect.

I well recollect how I was taken to
task by some of my friends for throwing
my jvote in favor of the McCormick machine. But, having watched the operation
of the reaper very closely, and observing

Twenty years after this trial of reap

cold?

Eweddy—Baw Jove, when I started down town this mowning I picked up one of my golf sticks, my mistake! Thought it was my wintah cane, don't y'

A KING OF HEARTS.

brought his man through.

THE JOLLY TRAVELING MAN.

They ask the merchant o' his health,
An' if the trade is pleasin'.
An' take and shake his hand as if
They'd never leave off squeezin'.
An' then with grip a standin' nigh,

An' if there's any news a shore,
They're sure to bring it to ye.
An' when they meet ye in the store,
They act as if they knew ye;
They allus like to see 'em come.

No praise hath higher meaning Than miming thes their chief, A spartan of the spartans Grimly dying in their grief.

Ay, e'en our children's voices Are mingled in the shout, For children love our stories Of hearts so high and stout.